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Re: super aggressive trout feeding?

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This is a GREAT subject and if you delve into this a little deeper , no pun intended , and learn to match your presentation to the riseform it will improve your success and open up a whole new can of worms , pun intended , a particular instance comes to mind every time this subject comes up. I was fishing on Clarks Creek in Dauphin county in the special regulations stretch and had pretty good luck all day on small Griffiths Gnat , 20's , 22's , the way i tie them is just peacock underbody with grizzley hackle and i think what the trout take them for is the black fly larvae that come off there in the spring , in clouds , andbody that fishes up there knows those little biters and if they don't eat you alive or drive you nuts the gnat seems to do the trick. Anyhow , i fished all day , parked at the rifle range lot and worked my way down and around , probably had caught a dozen by then and i was feeling pretty good about the way things had worked out and then it happened.....i always walked aways down when i park in that lot and then fish my way back up to the car and the way it works out is that most of the day you are fishing the "usual" water on there which is not real deep , there are pools but most of it is not what i would call deep until right before the parking lot there is one of the few actual pools.....probably 10 to 12 feet deep.....as i work my way up i notice there are BIG trout and lots of em rising in the deep water.....i float the gnat down through there an hour until it dawns on me , i'm gettin skunked here , so i sit , take a few deep breaths and watch , those big fish were holding almost completely on the bottom and they were most definately seeing something emerge off the bottom and they were following them up the whole way to the surface and then the rise would come , my gnat was gettin a little soggy in fact it was sinking and so was the leader and i was gonna use the break to "fix" everything up while watching what was going on. Well , instead of changin i cast the sinking gnat way up stream so it would be deep by the time it got close , it was the ticket , i would wait till it was almost in front of me maybe 8 feet down , stop following with the rod tip and just lift and pow!!!!